

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of masking at least one edge of a part of a surface that is to be treated, especially in a vehicle, includes the steps of using an adhesive masking strip made of an elongate cellular material resistant to a surface treatment and at least one adhesive region. The adhesive masking strip is a half ellipse having at least one groove, at least part of the wall of which groove has a region inclined by an angle of less than  $45^\circ$  with respect to the at least one adhesive region. The at least one adhesive region of the adhesive masking strip is applied to at least part of the edge of the surface that is to be treated, by an operator guiding said strip by inserting part of at least one finger in the groove. After the treatment, the adhesive strip is detached from the surface.

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